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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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1. On 30 July 1958 the Director of Logistics and the Chief, Printing Services Division discussed with the Deputy Director, Support, the request for 35 additional personnel for Printing Services Division. As a result of this discussion, it was decided that the Director of Logistics and the Chief, Printing Services Division should determine the possibilities of, (a) obtaining additional personnel from the Government Printing Office after the adjournment of Congress, and (b) the possibility of having some of the NIS printing done by the classified section of the GPO or commercial sources.

2. In accordance with the above, the C/PSD met with the Deputy Public Printer and the Production Manager of the Government Printing Office on 31 July 1958 to discuss these matters. It had previously been determined that there were 16 GPO employees who previously worked in the Admin Building Plant who still have Agency clearance. The possibility of obtaining all of these personnel for detail to the Admin Building Plant after the adjournment of Congress was discussed in detail. The Deputy Public Printer expressed the opinion that the GPO was more or less obligated to support the Agency in this connection, either by detailing the requested personnel or producing the classified printing. Both the Deputy Public Printer and the Production Manager stated that they would rather detail the personnel than be required to do the classified printing. They further agreed to recommend to the Public Printer that all of the employees under consideration be detailed to the Agency provided it was agreeable to the employees. It was further decided that since most of the employees involved have probably not had vacations, the detail should begin 2 September 1958 and continue until Congress reconvenes in January 1959. Formal request is to be made for this detail after the Production Manager ascertains the employees who will accept the detail.

3. This discussion brought out the fact that the GPO would, if required, accept some of the Agency's classified printing. Both the Deputy Public Printer and the Production Manager, however, indicated that they would rather not be required to take on this work.

4. Also on this date, the Director of Logistics and the Chief, Printing Services Division, discussed with Mr. James Harrison, Staff Director of the Joint Committee on Printing, the workload situation in the Agency's printing plants and pointed out to him the exceptional difficulty involved in increasing the working force in the Agency's printing plants. Mr. Harrison was told that we are exploring every possible way in which these excessive workloads can be handled. It was pointed out to him that in this connection his opinion was wanted of the

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possibility of "farming out" Agency classified printing to either the GPO or commercial sources. Mr. Harrison was quite emphatic that in his opinion such action would be a grave mistake on the part of the Agency. He stated that Agency printing facilities were originally approved on the basis that the Agency must produce all of its own classified printing because of the highly sensitive nature of such printing. He went on to say that the transfer of the GPO plant to the Agency was approved for the same reason and because the Joint Committee on Printing felt that all of the Agency's printing should be done in a single plant in the New Headquarters Building. Mr. Harrison further said that even though some of the NIS printing which would be "farmed out" may not in itself be highly sensitive, it would be a general weakening of the Agency's position to have any of the Agency classified work done outside the plants. He indicated that some members of the Joint Committee on Printing were not all entirely convinced that the Agency needed its own printing facilities, and to have any classified work done outside the Agency's plants would furnish ammunition for these members and could be the beginning of a move to have Agency printing done by the Government Printing Office. Mr. Harrison strongly urged that all aspects of this problem be thoroughly considered before any action is taken to "farm out" classified printing.

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